

NAME: **HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD (HSAB)**

LEGAL AUTHORITY: County Charter Section 710.
County Administrative Code, Article LIV, commencing with Section 861.1 as amended by Ordinance 8123 (NS), 8/4/92 (33);
Ordinance 8509 (NS), 3/7/95 (40); Ordinance 8910 (NS), 5/19/98 (33); Ordinance 9070, 8/10/99 (37)

MEMBERS

APPOINTED BY: Board of Supervisors

**MEMBERSHIP
COMPOSITION:**

The Health Services Advisory Board shall consist of seventeen (17) members. All members shall represent the entire area and population of the County in the performance of duties. Persons appointed to the Board shall have demonstrated interest and experience in the needs of the Health and Human Services Agency. The members shall serve during their terms at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors and any member may be removed at any time by a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors or by the member's failure to meet the regularly scheduled meeting attendance requirements. All members shall be voting members of the Board; provided, however, that each member may designate an alternate in writing, and the alternate shall be entitled to vote on Board matters in the absence of the member.

Each member of the Board of Supervisors shall nominate and recommend for appointment by the Board of Supervisors two (2) members to the Board from the following categories:

Physicians:

Representing traditional health care providers serving low income and indigent populations, each physician to be affiliated with one or more minority health care provider organizations in San Diego County.

Representatives:

- Of academic institutions active in the training and education of health professionals in San Diego County;
- Of businesses, recommended by the Greater San Diego Chamber of Commerce, and/or other Chambers of Commerce located in San Diego

County or by the San Diego County Taxpayers Association;

- Of organized labor groups active in the health care industry in San Diego County;
- Of either rural or minority health organizations recommended by the Director of Health and Human Services Agency and the Chief Administrative Officer to achieve geographic and ethnic balance; and
- Of a legal services organization representing indigent populations.

In addition, the following seven (7) persons shall be members of the Board or shall designate representatives from their organizations who shall be members:

- President of the San Diego County Medical Society;
- President of the Healthcare Association of San Diego and Imperial Counties;
- Executive Director of the San Diego Council of Community Clinics;
- Chair of the San Diego Mental Health Advisory Board;
- Chair of the San Diego County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Advisory Board;
- Chair of the Healthy San Diego Health Care Professional Advisory Board; and the
- Chair of the Healthy San Diego Consumer Advisory Board

Exclusions:

- (1) An employee of the County shall not serve on the Board
- (2) No person shall be appointed to the Board if by reason of such employment a conflict of interest could arise. Appointment by the court of an attorney to represent an individual shall not be considered a conflict of interest.
- (3) Members of the County citizen advisory committees shall disclose to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in writing any outside employment or activity engaged in for compensation which relates to their County duties or to the functions and

responsibilities of the County department or agency which they serve or which may be subject to approval by any County officer or employee.

No member of an advisory committee shall make, participate in making or in any way attempt to use his/her position as a member of an advisory committee to influence a decision in which he/she knows or has reason to know that he/she has a financial interest, except in those cases where the member is appointed to represent an entity or group having a financial interest in a matter coming within the citizen committee's area of responsibility.

No person shall be appointed to or serve on, an advisory committee which participates in the making of County contracts in which such person is financially interested within the terms of Government Code section 1090 et seq.

TERMS:

Members nominated by a Supervisor shall serve a term of office concurrent with the term of office of their nominating Supervisor.

The reelection of a member of the Board of Supervisors for a succeeding term shall not automatically extend the term of any board member.

No member shall serve more than two consecutive 4-year terms.

Any member whose term has expired hereunder shall continue to discharge the duties as a member until a successor has been appointed and qualified.

DUTIES:

The Board shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- To review and make recommendations on new policies and programs within the Health and Human Services Agency.
- To review the Health and Human Services Agency's annual budget and provide written comments and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.
- To examine the variables which impact access to health care and to develop an integrated set of recommendations aimed at an improved health care delivery system.
- Develop recommendations which bring discipline and coordination to a fragmented health care system.

- To review current and proposed health related legislation and recommend support, opposition or propose changes to the Board of Supervisors, and the Director of the Health and Human Services Agency.
- To solicit and provide a forum for public input, advice and proposed solutions and alternatives on critical health issues and problems in the community and/or faced by the County government.
- To serve as the designated nominating authority for membership on designated Advisory Committees.
- To assist the Director of the Health and Human Services Agency in assessing those community issues which could result in a fiscal impact on the County government.
- To perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Board of Supervisors.

**MEETING DATE
AND LOCATION:**

First Thursday of each month 4-6 p.m.
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 303/302
San Diego, CA 92101

COMPENSATION:

Members of the Board shall serve without compensation. Board members shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in performing their duties under this Article, including mileage reimbursement in accordance with Administrative Code Section 471 and 490 et seq.

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